

4.1 Proposed evaluation of public electric scooter share schemes in Wellington City -Substantive

Moved Councillor Calvi-Freeman, seconded Councillor Lee

Recommendations

That the City Strategy Committee:

2. Authorises officers to issue up to two licences for public electric scooter share operators, for an evaluation period of 6 months extendible by a further 12 months to enable policy engagement and consultation to occur, noting the option to break this licence at the discretion of officers at any time.

A division was called for, voting on which was as follows:

For:

Mayor Lester
Councillor Calvi-Freeman
Councillor Day
Councillor Fitzsimons
Councillor Gilbert
Councillor Lee
Councillor Pannett (Chair)
Councillor Sparrow

Against:

Councillor Calvert
Councillor Dawson
Councillor Free
Councillor Woolf
Councillor Young

Majority Vote: 8:5

Carried

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That the City Strategy Committee:

3. Waives the licence application and administration fee for the evaluation period.

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Councillor Free
Councillor Gilbert
Councillor Lee

Councillor Pannett (Chair)
Councillor Sparrow
Councillor Woolf
Councillor Young

Majority Vote: 0:13

Lost

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That the City Strategy Committee:

12. That officers work with the provider/s so that electric scooters are not ridden on the CBD footpaths or suburban shopping centre footpaths.

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Majority Vote: 9:4

Carried

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Recommendations

That the City Strategy Committee:

1. Receives the information.
4. Agrees the licences include the following conditions:
 - a. Permit an initial maximum of 800 and a minimum of 600 electric scooters across the city
 - b. Not allow users of public electric scooter share in the following locations:
 - All Botanic Gardens of Wellington
 - Wellington Botanic Gardens including Rose Garden and Anderson Park (excluding existing vehicle and bike only areas)
 - Bolton Street Cemetery
 - Otari-Wiltons Bush
 - Truby King Park (excluding main roadways)
 - Cuba Street Mall
 - On the waterfront side of Oriental Parade from Chaffers Street to Freyberg Pool to ensure electric scooters use the kerbside cycle path.
 - Golden Mile footpath:
 - Lambton Quay between Whitmore Street and Willis Street
 - Willis Street between Lambton Quay and Manners Street
 - Manners Street
 - Courtenay Place
 - c. Require operators to pay a share of the cost to deliver a public safety awareness campaign in partnership with the Council. Officers recommend a total investment by operators of \$10,000 with each share determined by the proportion of licenced electric scooters in operation.
 - d. Agree a ban on hiring electric scooters in the Courtenay precinct after 9pm, Friday to Sunday and on the eve of public holidays
5. Agrees to delegate authority to officers to place additional conditions on the licence if necessary during the evaluation period including the ability to revoke the licence.
6. Agrees that officers will prepare a paper outlining the initial results of the evaluation no less than six months after the start of the evaluation period, with key findings and recommendations on how to proceed at the end of the evaluation period.
7. Agrees that public footpaths are primarily for those on foot, in prams or in vehicles designed to assist with mobility including wheelchairs and mobility scooters.
8. Agree to continue to advocate to central government for the rights of e-scooter users to

use cycle lanes.

9. Agree for Council to make increased efforts to build more paths and lanes for those who want to use sustainable modes of transport including bicycles and e-scooters.
10. Note that the Council is committed to undertaking extensive consultation with the community including the disability, children's and older person's communities before the city allows the use of electric scooters permanently in public places in the city.
11. That the criterion for evaluation proposals that relates to operational record be considered as one where operational experience is desirable but is not essential.
13. That the costs of evaluation and monitoring of compliance, including footpath use, be covered by a fee of \$45 per scooter for the 6 month evaluation period. This fee is an interim one, and will apply for the period of the evaluation or until a fee for infrastructural and other costs can be established.
14. That room be left for new operators, who are not ready to participate at the outset of the evaluation.
15. That during any trial each electric scooter has a unique visible registration number. This would help identify improper users more easily.
16. That officers liaise with other potential user groups (e.g. The Miramar Movie Industry, Wellington International Airport, Wellington Hospital and The Universities) to assess options for best practice use, and to establish how best to create a safer environment for future use of electric scooters.
17. That electric scooter use on our Waterfront has a speed restriction the same as cyclists, and that electric scooters are encouraged to keep left.

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Councillor Pannett (Chair)
Councillor Sparrow

Against:

Councillor Dawson
Councillor Woolf
Councillor Young

Majority Vote: 10:3

Carried